









# MY CAPTIVE.

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"The Sea of Saratoga," Etc.

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## CHAPTER IV. SUPPER AND SONG.

The horses looked jealously at our supper. I was sorry for them, especially for Old Put, whose great, intelligent eyes said in the purest English, "I, too, am hungry, master." But I could do nothing. I had no provender for horses, and so I told him to wait as best he could until morning and I would find something for him if I had to rob a patriot farmer to do it. He bowed his head in resignation like the wise horse he was, while the brown hack, not so well bred, tugged at his bridle rein and thrashed about until I threatened him with a big stick.

After the chicken the girl served the cold ham and drank from the canteen again. I did likewise. Moreover, I urged her to wait her lips at the flask a second time as a further precaution against cold, which she did literally and no more. I was liberal rather than literal, for I was a soldier and knew its value. I took my blanket from my saddle bow and urged her to wrap it around herself, but she said "No," that her heavy cloak was sufficient, and she would not deprive me even if I was a misguided rebel. I saw that she spoke truly, as her cloak was of the most ample character, and so, having no further compunction, I wrapped the blanket around me, Indian style, and, sitting down on the dry leaves in front of the fire, leaned my head against the log. She sat on the log at the other end, leaning her head against a dead bough which was thrust straight up in the air. I had put the remains of the provisions back in my saddlebags.

Triumphant, warm, well fed, my cheerfulness, my satisfaction with myself increased. I stared into the bed of red coals and saw figures, pictures, there. Near the center of the bed the coals had fallen into such shape that I could trace distinctly the epaulets of a general, and I knew that those epaulets were for me. The coals crumbled into new shapes and built the house which was to be mine when the war was victoriously over and I was ready to retire to it with my honors. She, too, seemed to be engaged in the same business, for she was staring with half closed eyes into the dreamy coals.

"Why are you a rebel?" she asked. "Is it from pure perverseness, for they say all you Americans are so?" "They say many things about us in England that are not true," I said, "and this is one of them. The English themselves have often been rebels, and their present royal family, one of the worst they have ever had, and they have had the Stuarts, was placed on the throne by a just rebellion."

"You must know," she replied, "that in England the character of the sovereign is nothing. It is the sovereign principle. The worst the sovereign has better the court likes him." We relapsed into silence and our study of the red coals. Old Put whinnied gettily, raised his head and looked beyond the fire, as if he saw something in the darkness impenetrable to all but horse eyes.

"I'd better see to that," I said. "Old Put is not going to give a warning for nothing. He has a character to lose." "A wildcat may be," she suggested. "Perhaps, but I'll see."

I rose, still keeping my blanket wrapped around me, and ordered her to stay where she was under pain of being bound again. She promised, and I believed that she would not stir from her position on the log. The darkness and the desolation were not inviting. I returned to the log, ready to scold Old Put for giving a false alarm, but refrained, reflecting that he might be nervous and irritable owing to his lack of food.

"What did you find?" asked the girl, looking at me with bright eyes. "Nothing." "I thought you wouldn't. It was a wildcat or maybe a harmless little squirrel." "Aren't you afraid of the wild animals?" "Not with such a brave rebel as you near me."

I opened my eyes a little wider and looked at her. It was the first time that she had complimented me even in that half hearted way, and I was surprised. "I thought you did not allow me the possession of any desirable quality whatsoever," I said. "You are improving," she replied. "Perhaps it is due to my society. I may yet make you a loyal follower of King George and save you from the hangman."

I had my doubts about the "loyalty," which is a term devised for the protection of sovereigns from their crimes, but I said nothing just then. She, too, said nothing more. The heap of coals grew and glowed in the depths with deep crimson and scarlets, throwing out a generous heat and wailing me to sleep. Despite my sense of caution and the efforts of my will, my eyelids drooped. The castles in the coals became more indistinct and wavered as if they were made of red mist.

But I searched the wood again, and finding nothing returned to my old and comfortable place. Old Put was restless and shuffled about; but, angry at his idle alarms, I commanded him roughly to keep quiet, and he obeyed.

The girl was humming softly to herself as if she were thinking of her far-away English home. I supposed she was lonely and homesick, and again some pity for her crept into my heart. "Are you singing of your sweet-heart?" I asked, meaning to cheer her up.

"I have none," she replied. "Not now perhaps, but you will have some day."

"That is a different matter." "What kind of a sweetheart would you choose?"

"A soldier, a gallant English soldier, one loyal to his king through all." She continued to hum her little song, whatever it was. Something stirred in the wood, and Old Put, despite my previous command, whinnied and stamped his feet.

"Confound that beast, whatever it may be!" I said. "It must be a wildcat attracted by the light of our fire." "Listen and I will sing you a song that will tell you what my future betrothed and husband shall be. It's an old Scotch song of devotion and loyalty, but we'll sing it, too, and like it as well as the Scotch. 'Dumbarton's Drums' we call it."

"Sing," I said. Then she sang: "Dumbarton's drums beat bonnie O, When they mind me of my dear Johnnie O! How happy am I When my soldier is by. While he kisses and blesses his Annie O! 'Tis a soldier alone can delight me O, For his graceful looks do invite me O, While guarded in his arms I'll fear no war's alarms. Neither danger nor death shall e'er fright me O! My love is a handsome laddie O."

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She sang it still more softly and gently than before, and, though my eyelids drooped again, I turned my eyes from the bed of coals to her face. The firelight played ruddily over her eyes and cheeks, and the expression there seemed tender and faraway, as if her thoughts had gone from this dark night and the war torn fields of South Carolina to the green English meadows and peaceful sunshine.

When she finished, I raised my hands and clasped them together. "Well done!" I said. "Well done!"

"Done well enough for us," said some one, and strong hands reached over the log and grasped me by the wrists. My languor and my sleepiness were gone in an instant, and I made a powerful effort to wrench myself loose, but I had been taken too suddenly. Three or four men flung themselves upon me, and I was crushed under a great weight, while the firm grip was still on my wrists. I managed to deal somebody a heavy kick and heard a grunt of pain, but in a few seconds I was overpowered and, like a wise man, ceased to struggle further.

Singularly enough, one of my early thoughts in that moment was of relief that Old Put should prove not to be a false prophet, having enjoyed such a good character in that respect so long. I had been a fool not to take his warning more seriously. Then I wondered why the girl did not cry out at the sight of struggling men and the sound of oaths and blows, a violent melody usually very terrifying to women. I caught one glimpse of her, and she was sitting on the log, her back against the up thrust bough, leaning upon it as lazily as if she were in a rocking chair in a parlor. The firelight still played over her face and eyes, but the soft and tender expression which had pleased me was gone. Instead the look that she turned upon me was a mixture of dislike, malice and triumph.



I STARED INTO THE BED OF RED COALS.

gentle, but ne'er foppish nor gaudy O! Though commissions are dear. Yet I'll buy him one this year, For he'll serve no longer a cadle O! A soldier has honor and bravery O, Unacquainted with rogues and their knavery O!

He minds no other thing But the ladies or the king, For every other care is but a slavery O!

"Then I'll be the captain's lady O! I'll wait no more at home, But I'll follow with the drum, And whenever that beats I'll be ready O! Dumbarton's drums sound bonnie O!"

How happy shall I be When on my soldier's knee, And he kisses and blesses his Annie O!

Her voice was deep and true, and the old war ballad was music in my ears. As the melody rose and fell in the lonely night my eyes drooped again and my brain became dim with advancing slumber like a child soothed to sleep by the song of his mother. I was as tired as a dog. I had ridden long and far and had worked much, and every nerve and muscle in me cried aloud for rest, but I roused myself as she finished and the last note of her song died in the darkness.

"That is a proper military song," I said, "and nobly sung; but I object to the sentiments of your hero. He minds no other thing but the ladies or the king. The ladies are all right, but no king! Leave the king out!"

Old Put was stamping his feet again. "That's right, Put," I said. "Applaud the song, for it was well sung, though you and I, who are good Americans, don't altogether like the sentiments. That, I take it, is an old song of loyalty to the Stuarts. It is singular to me how wholesome minded English people can invest the Stuarts, whom they kicked out of their country, with so much romance and charm when all history shows they were an utterly debased lot, and nobody knows it better than the English themselves."

"The sentiments of the song, king and all, are perfectly correct, and I'll sing that verse to you again."

She looked at me with a look half of defiance, half a smile, and sang: "My love is a handsome laddie O, Gentle, but ne'er foppish nor gaudy O! Though commissions are dear, Yet I'll buy him one this year, For he'll serve no longer a cadle O! A soldier has honor and bravery O, Unacquainted with rogues and their knavery O!"

He minds no other thing But the ladies or the king, For every other care is but a slavery O!

After meeting such a glance it was a relief to me to look another way and see who had captured me.

## CHAPTER V.

A CHANGE OF FRONT. "Truss him up good," said one. "These rebels are not to be trusted even when they are tied."

I gave careful notice to the man who spoke, evidently the leader of the party. He was of middle size, middle age and truculent features. His most noticeable characteristic was his drooping eyelids, which would induce the casual observer to think he was fast asleep, though in reality he was wide awake. He was dressed in the uniform of a captain in the British army. I set him down as a partisan chief on a small scale. He had five comrades, cast in the same mold as himself, all dressed in British soldiers' uniforms and rather wild of look.

They bound me securely and set me with my back to the log and my face to the fire, much in the position that I had occupied while the girl was singing. Confound her for lulling away my caution and suspicions in such a manner! I had no doubt now that she had seen the red uniforms of the British when first I went into the wood to search for the cause of the noise. I was a fool to let my distrust of her decrease for a moment.

"That was a complete job, Miss Howard," said the leader, "well done by everybody, and your part is the best done of all."

"You have rescued me from the hands of a rebel, Captain Crowder," she replied, "and I am back with my own people, for both of which I thank you. I thought it was time for me to say something."

"It is true you have trapped me between you, Captain Crowder, for so I hear the lady call you," I said, "but I wouldn't exult, because the next chance might be mine, and it would hurt your feelings for me to pay your back."

"I don't know about any next chance for you," I said, "because here in the woods we generally hang rebels."

I did not reply to his threat, thinking that I had said enough, and turned my head away. My glance fell now upon Old Put. His eyes were full of reproach to me. The I told you so expression was there, and the I am sorry for you and myself expression was mingled with it. "I will never lose faith in you again, best of all comrades!" I signaled back.

Captain Crowder, having seized me, also seized my camp, evidently with the intention of spending the night there, and he posted one sentinel, while the others sat around the fire, making themselves comfortable. The girl occupied her old seat on the tree trunk, leaning against the projecting bough.

"Do you know where my father is, Captain Crowder?" she asked. "With Tarleton," he replied. "And where is Tarleton?" "Hot on the chase of the rebel major and his men."

"Can we overtake Tarleton by noon tomorrow?"

"Undoubtedly, for he has to go rather slowly, not knowing just where Morgan is. He doesn't want to run past the game. Morgan's hard to catch, but when Tarleton once comes up with him there'll be an end to one rebel army."

I listened to this conversation with the closest attention and continued to listen while he described Tarleton's movements, force and equipment. If I could escape him, and the hangman's rope with which he had threatened me, this information would be of great value to us. I was glad that, for the sake of precaution, I had torn up the girl's letters and other written facts about us when I captured her, for now she could rely only upon speech. I waited for her to tell Crowder about us, but she said nothing upon that point, and I reflected that her reticence was natural, as she would want to give her information herself to Tarleton, and thus secure all the credit instead of letting the guerrilla, Crowder, claim at least half of it.

Two of the men disappeared in the wood and returned in a few moments, leading the horses of the band, which they tethered to the trees near by. I guessed that they had seen the light of our fire at a distance and leaving their horses there had crept upon me.

"You will excuse us, Miss Howard, while we eat and drink a little," said Crowder. "We've ridden far today, and we're tired and hungry."

Their appearance was sufficient indication that they needed food and rest, for the grime of travel was thick upon them. They rummaged their haversacks and saddlebags and produced bread and

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It is probable that the membership will be doubled during the next twelve months. While the Leagues are living up to their mottoes: Better physical surroundings; best books for all; art in the schoolroom; yet its most important work is in restoring the old-time pride and enthusiasm in the local school. The value of this interest cannot be overestimated.

Donald, principal of the Machias Grammar School, as secretary and treasurer. These officials were among the first to organize Leagues and have been among their most efficient and enthusiastic supporters. They are both exceptionally fitted by training and experience for the duties which will devolve upon them.

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## Coming Events.

Feb. 25-Mar. 2—Mabel Grand Co., Norway opera house.  
Mar. 1—K. of P. ball, Robinson Hall, Oxford.  
Mar. 2—Caucus, Norway.  
Mar. 4—Annual town meeting in most Oxford County towns.  
Mar. 5—South Paris Village Corporation annual meeting.  
Mar. 6—Pomona Grange, Bryant's Pond.  
Apr. 6—Norway Village Corporation annual meeting.  
Apr. 22—Maine Methodist Conference, Yarmouth.  
June 6—Norway high school graduation.

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## Candidates.

Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford is announced as a candidate for speaker of the next Maine House of Representatives, and also for Governor at the election of 1904. Mr. Pettengill has been Representative to the Legislature, selectman, State senator and county commissioner. He is vice-president of the P. & R. F. Ry. Co. and is a prominent director of the principal corporations that conduct the large manufacturing industries at Rumford Falls. He has been influential in the councils of the Republican party for a long time.

Under the new apportionment Oxford county will have one State senator. Hon. John M. Philbrook of Bethel is announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination. Mr. Philbrook is a prominent business man, has held various town offices and is the present chairman of the board of county commissioners.

## HEBRON.

Ed. Bean returned to Colby, Wednesday. Mrs. Ella Everett is quite sick with bronchitis.

Frank Pike is visiting friends at South Paris, this week.

Dr. Donham, who is recovering from pneumonia, was not as well, Sunday.

Edith Greenwood is gaining quite fast and was able to ride out, last Saturday.

One day last week, the neighbors and friends of Frank Pike and lauded to his door a good sized wood pile.

A. Davenport Cox of Colby was in town, Friday. He was on his way to Farmington, where he preached, Sunday.

Bertha Packard who has been spending the winter in New York with her sister, Mrs. Jennie Packard Hanscom, has returned home much improved in health.

Mrs. Minnie Bean returned from Waterville, last Thursday. She was accompanied by her husband, Ed. Bean of Colby. Mr. Bean is suffering from rheumatism.

There was no school, Friday, at the Academy. In the afternoon a large party of the students took a snow ride to South Paris, through the kindness of the teachers, who furnished the team.

The Hebron Academy football team gave an entertainment at Sturtevant hall, last Wednesday evening. It consisted of music, specialties and a farce entitled "A Mischievous Negress." There was a full house and everybody had a very enjoyable time.

The prize speaking at Hebron Academy will occur at the Baptist church, Friday, March 22. The speakers are as follows: Misses Latham, Clement, Gibbs, McIntyre, Matthews and Shaw; Messrs. Flood, Bonkoff, Kalkoff, Austin, Morse and Emery.

Last Friday evening, there was a grand reception at the hall given to the Grangers and their families by the families of Levi Merrill, Fred Marshall, Bert Glover, Frank Pike and I. P. Bearce. The entertainment consisted of music, reading and a farce, "Hans Von Swartz." Ice cream and cake were served to nearly a hundred Grangers, after which games were played. In three weeks another reception will be given.

The ladies' circle had a picnic supper at the ladies' room in the church, Tuesday evening. It was served by the young men and there was a much larger attendance than usual on this account. Many laughable incidents occurred while the young men were serving the supper, one of them being the disappearance of the "layer cake" which one of the young ladies had brought (cooked by her husband). It was afterwards found taken carefully apart and put on different tables. But in spite of the mistakes it was a very pleasant occasion. After the supper was served a short entertainment consisting of music, dish washing, a poem spoken by Horatio Cushman and a game of anagrams, the first prize being won by Mrs. A. A. Conant and the second by Chas. Cummings & Co.

## WEST PARIS.

There was a union service held at the Free Baptist church, last Sunday evening, under the auspices of the West Paris W. C. T. U., commemorative of the life and influence of Miss Frances E. Willard. After the opening exercises, remarks were made by the Vice-president, presiding, explaining the object of the meeting. Papers were then read by several ladies of our union on her life, her work and its results. Good music, consisting of a quartette choir, a very finely rendered solo by Mrs. Frank Farnam, a duet by Miss Lane and Mrs. White, with Miss Brown violinist and Miss Tuell organist, was interspersed during the exercises. A good attendance and liberal contribution.

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**OTISFIELD.**—Valuation \$224,765.00, highway tax 1,781.00, highway tax rate .007, highway poll tax 1.00, commitment to collector 4,304.54, money tax rate .017, number polls 210, money poll tax \$2.00. Expenditures—State tax \$695.92, county tax 282.40, highways money 418.06, schools 1,641.94, abatements 11 \$4, poor off farm 337.38, salaries 280.00, town farm 225.40, miscellaneous 64.69. Liabilities \$2,118.24, cash in treasury 891.68, other resources 2,618.28.

**SWEDEN.**—Valuation \$144,119.00, tax rate .016, taxed polls 27, poll tax \$3.00. Expenditures—State tax \$406.74, county tax 250.85, salaries 329.29, schoolhouse repair 4.68, school books 738, abatements 41.98, schools 483.45, paupers 333.96, highways 776.59, miscellaneous 35.25. Liabilities \$1,195, cash in treasury 108.10, other resources 1,186.47.

**HEBRON.**—Valuation \$193,386.00, tax rate .023, commitment \$4,847.41, taxed polls 133.

Expenditures—State tax \$928.47, county tax 387.34, schools 984.54, schoolhouse repair 64.58, school books 50.57, highways 1,408.85, paupers 751.22, salaries 207.54, abatements 31.10, new schoolhouse 604.31, town-house shed 66.49, miscellaneous 190.77. Bonded debt \$1,500.00, other liabilities 2,664.53, cash in treasury 211.44, other resources 8,897.83.

**HARRISON.**—Valuation \$888,329.00, taxable polls 309, tax rate .0156, poll tax \$3.00, commitment 6,940.09. Expenditures—State tax \$1,079.32, county tax 438.10, town farm 35.75, repairs and improvements on town farm buildings 638.87, salaries 448.50, highways 1,076.24. Liabilities \$507.79, cash in treasury 330.63, other resources 1,776.59.

**WATERFORD.**—Valuation \$269,654.00, polls taxed 288, tax rate .022, poll tax \$3.00, commitment 6,538.90. Expenditures—State tax \$800.76, county tax 493.14, town farm 261.62, poor off town farm 138.28, snow bills 810.88, road repair 980.19, salaries 474.00, abatements 89.62, free vaccination 34.50, school books 123.16, schoolhouse repair 65.04, new schoolhouse 1,500.82, schools 1,015.68, miscellaneous 169.20. Liabilities \$1,803.52, cash in treasury 32, other resources 9,793.92.

**WOODSPOCK.**—Valuation \$202,072.00, number polls assessed 249, poll tax \$3.00, property tax rate .022, commitment \$5,156.78. Expenditures—State tax \$600.26, county tax 369.58, abatements 39.10, paupers 370.75, roads and bridges in winter 947.12, highway repair 1,036.55, town charges 399.05, schools 1,393.00, schoolhouse repair 34.24, school books 26.23, miscellaneous 94.08, Memorial Day 25.00. Cash in treasury \$186.50, other resources 3,184.33, liabilities 408.30.

**SUMNER.**—Valuation \$218,700.00, number polls 232, poll tax \$3.00, property tax rate .022, commitment \$5,039.19. Expenditures—State tax \$690.80, county tax 490.48, snow bills 1,329.62, highway repair 1,007.54, poor 356.81, schools 1,385.19, school books 60.31, schoolhouse repair 116.45, abatements 49.81, salaries and miscellaneous 705.77. Cash in treasury \$93.31, other resources 1,942.64, liabilities 2,083.78.

**CASCO.**—Valuation \$225,610.00, polls taxed 208, polls not taxed 33, poll tax \$3.00, property tax rate .015, commitment \$4,413.15. Expenditures—State tax \$741.41, county tax 300.98, schools 1,627.44, school books 87.41, schoolhouse repair 64.41, school supplies 21.52, cleaning school-rooms 12.50, paupers 337.24, highways 1,326.87, salaries 211.00, abatements and collector's commission 175.37, miscellaneous 154.87. Cash in treasury \$549.97, cash in bank 126.38, other resources 6,696.20, liabilities 6,078.73.

**GREENWOOD.**—Valuation \$148,661.00, number polls 187, poll tax \$3.00, property tax rate .037, commitment \$6,069.82. Expenditures—State tax \$734.04, road repair 1,028.96, abatements of river bridge 301.88, interest 255.64, schools 1,552.50, school books 67.67, schoolhouse repair and appliances 103.52, paupers 551.20, abatements 32.13, salaries 295.50, miscellaneous 377.66. Profits on liquor agency \$539.91. Cash in treasury \$146.56, other resources 5,063.66, bonded debt 5,000.00, other liabilities 839.58.

**DENMARK.**—Valuation \$268,950.00, number polls 215, poll tax \$2.75, property tax rate .0145, commitment \$4,418.50. Expenditures—State tax \$785.22, county tax 434.09, common schools 1,357.54, high school 434.80, school books 46.48, schoolhouse repair 72.70, guide posts 35.90, insurance 18.00, highways 1,178.64, paupers 1,255.78, abatements 32.50, town charges 517.67. Resources \$1,470, due treasurer 387.45, other liabilities 1,092.14.

**LOVELL.**—Valuation \$871,606.00, number taxable polls 225, poll tax \$2.60, property tax rate .0138, commitment \$5,627.71. Expenditures—State tax \$1,086.43, county tax 670.08, old highway bills 69.09, snow bills 864.46, repairing snow roller 18.70, highways 1,012.98, this winter's snow bills 429.33, town farm 491.14, paupers off farm 231.16, Memorial Day 25.00, school books and appliances 114.34, schools 1,339.21, salaries and miscellaneous 532.19. Cash in treasury \$64.08, other resources 1,437.03, liabilities 1,301.91.

## EAST BROWNFIELD.

Mrs. J. E. Clement is sick with la grippe.

Ralph Giles who has been very sick is reported to be better.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spring have an addition to their family, a little daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gatchell spent a few days with their daughter in North Sebago, recently.

The remains of William H. Stickney were brought here for burial, this week. Mr. Stickney was a native of this town and has always made his home here until the past few years when he and his family have spent the greater part of time in Cambridge, Mass., where he has two sons in college.

The ladies sewing circle was entertained at the home Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Gatchell, last Wednesday afternoon and evening. About fifty were present and partook of a bountiful supper, after which a pleasant evening was passed with vocal and instrumental music and social conversation.

"After suffering for two months from a severe attack of grip I found quick relief and a lasting cure by using Dr. Miles' Nervine, Pain Pills and Bear Cure."—Harry Abbott, Cincinnati, Ohio.

## A CLIMAX.

Being a Whole Modern Novel Compressed into a Small Space.

(Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis.)

"Hortense," he began in a vibrating voice as he clutched a chair to support himself, "you must have known that I loved you?"

"Yes; I knew it," she carelessly replied.

"Loved you with a love as broad and deep as the mighty ocean, such a love as only one man in a million loves."



## THE THRILL.

"Yes; I saw that something ailed you?"

"And you have encouraged that love?"

"Very likely."

"And you have permitted me to hope that some day I might call you mine?"

"I think I have."

"And yet at 3 o'clock this afternoon the report comes to me that you are going to marry a duke and give me the shake. Hortense, brand that report as a lie."

"I couldn't."

"Then it is true, and you are false to me?"

"Yes, but don't holler so loud, or you'll wake up the cat."

"I'll holler no more. Girl, do you see this poniard? Swear to marry me and me alone, or I'll plunge it into this loyal breast of mine."

"I wouldn't. It will hurt."

"Will you swear?"

"I don't feel like it."

"Then farewell! I stab myself thus and thus and thus!"

For a brief moment the eyes of the pale, fair girl rested upon the palpitating corpse at her feet. Then with steady hand she gave the bell rope two jerks, and as a servant appeared she calmly said:

"Jane, bring a broom and dustpan and clean up this mess. I'll have the next one die out on the sidewalk."

## M. QUAD.

**Brooks No Interruption.**

Communication with the other planets had become an old story.

"Say!" exclaimed the man at the interplanetary long distance phone, "you chap on Mercury, quit trying to cut in! I'm talking to a gentleman on Mars."—Chicago Tribune.

## Swell Hunting.

It was with the utmost caution that the fox crossed the highway.

"You see," he explained, "there is a hunting club of the swiftest sort in this vicinity, and I smell so extremely like an anise bag that I have to be very careful indeed."—Puck.

## A Terror.

"You didn't seem to get on with that Boston girl."

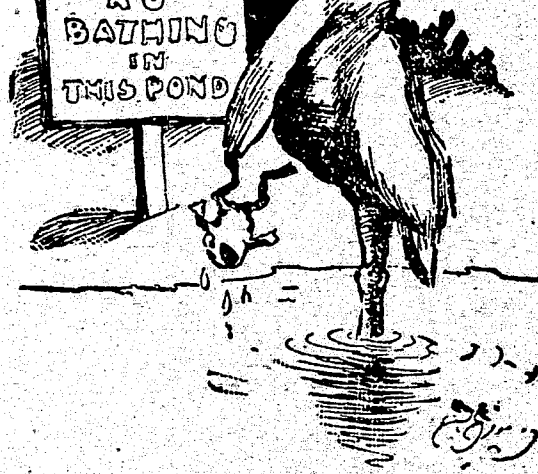
"No; she sat on the edge of her chair ready to run and look up my pronunciation in the dictionary."—Chicago Record.

## True Enough.

"Every barber, it seems to me, talks too much."

"Oh, well, you couldn't expect a barber to shave a man unless he has a little chin."—Philadelphia Press.

## Disobedience Punished.



"If you paid more attention to these signs, Willie Frog, you wouldn't get into trouble."—New York Journal.

## A Point Overlooked.

"What we want to do," said the kind hearted civilized person, "is to treat you gently and make you happy."

"Yes," answered the barbarian, "but you insist on forgetting that we can't be really happy unless we're killing off white people."—Washington Star.

## His Type.

Mother—What type is the young man that our daughter says you met in New York when you went to bring her home?

Father—Well, to judge from his clothes, I should say he was poster type.—Detroit-Free Press.

## The Supreme Test.

Town—So he's dead. He was a very popular man, wasn't he?

Browne—Yes, indeed. Why, even the undertaker was sorry to see him go.—Philadelphia Press.

## A Weakening Chap.

She—You're getting tired of kissing me already.

He—What makes you think that?

She—I saw you stop to take breath.—Harper's Bazar.

## EAST HEBRON.

A. M. Fogg is gaining.

Friday morning the mercury stood at 18 deg. below zero.

Guy Harris has been laid up with grip, the past two weeks.

Frank O. Hodson is having another turn of grip, also Harry Phillips.

Rev. L. D. Tibbitts is gaining but has been very dangerously ill the past two weeks.

Dea. Fuller is improving. His wife's health is very poor. Their son is still caring for them.

The roads are not first-class and a few warm days will make them impassable without much labor on them.

T. L. Rogers passed away very suddenly on the morning of the 17th after a long sickness of one year. He had grip and took cold before his recovery, that affected the heart and killed the action of some blood vessel around the heart, that made his breathing very laborious all through the summer.

The doctor came very soon and told that way by spells until the last, but said he had no pain. On his last night about ten o'clock he called for food, but only took a bit and could not eat more. His wife had always been on a diet of his bed. She was up with him twice and once to replenish the fire and saw no signs of his being worse. The last time was at 2.30. After arranging his bed he told her not to put him in, but to let him rest for some time, dropped asleep and on waking found him with his head to the foot of the bed face down. She called in vain for him to speak. After chafing over his heart and wrist she called the neighbors. The doctor came very soon and said nothing could have been done if she had been by his side. He thought his moving awakened her as she had called to him when he began to breathe hard for many weeks past. Services were conducted by Rev. L. D. Tibbitts and the Grange ceremonies. The remains were taken to North Auburn cemetery for interment, on Tuesday. He left a wife and one sister.

## GILEAD.

Jack McBride is on the sick list.

Seth Bemis is in Bethel, last week. Fred Bemis has gone back to Hastings.

James Armstrong of Bethel was in town, Monday.

Charles Bemis is done work for the Hastings Lumber Co.

They are still working on the Wild River Railroad bridge.

Mrs. Nancy Connor who has been very ill is reported much better.

Mrs. Nancy Burbank died at her home in Gilead, Monday, Feb. 25.

P. B. Heath and Eva DeCosta had a party, Monday evening, and all present had a good time.

J. W. Bennett is having his house torn down which he moved from Staples on the ice in January.

Mrs. Sam Fogg who got thrown from a sleigh, four weeks ago, and hurt her shoulder quite badly was out for a sleigh ride, Monday.

Arthur C. Bennett has left the Grand Trunk where he has been employed for the past two years and gone to work for J. W. Bennett in his birch mill.

Peter Hurd who has been working for J. W. Bennett in his birch mill has gone to Gorham to work for E. E. Libby & Sons. His mother, Mrs. Hurd, expects to move there soon.

## NORTH WATERFORD.

B. W. Rice is hauling bolts to the corner.

Blanche Millett of Waterford is visiting her grandparents.

Florence E. Rice is working in the Bethel corn shop inspecting cans.

Mrs. M. Ella Knight is keeping house for her brother, Addison Millett, while his wife is away visiting at Quincy, Mass.

Vera and Walter Rice have a pair of tame rabbits, which their papa got of Hersey Saunders. They are quite pretty, brown and white.

Rebecca Rice, who was so very sick, last week, I am glad to inform friends, is some better and we are in hopes to hear more favorable news from her.

Green, who for a few weeks past has been helping her aunt, Mrs. Isaac Wardwell of Albany, has returned home and her sister Sarah has taken her place.

Twelve young ladies of North Waterford are to entertain the circle at the vestry on next Tuesday. They are to have a baked bean supper served at the usual hour, afterwards give an entertainment of recitations, music, dialogues, etc.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Rice's children were all home to dinner with them, for the first time for over five years. They were Mrs. Llewellyn Millett, who lives at Waterford, Rufus Rice, Mrs. Geo. Kneeland and Florence Rice, who are at Bethel, and Burnham Rice and family, formerly from Hastings, who have come home to live for the present. It was a happy reunion for the parents.

## NORTH NORWAY.

Measles are in the Swift's corner district.

Mr. Ericson from Oxford preached at the chapel, last Sunday.

J. R. Holt has been helping W. S. Merrill get his ice this week. He cuts it on J. E. McIntire's fish pond.

It is reported that Walter Bisbee is to move his family to East Waterford where he is working for Haskell & Rolfe.

Leslie and Asa Flint expected to go to Deering this week to commence work on a milk farm. Leslie was visited with the grip, so they did not go.

B. F. Richardson was in this place calling on his old friends, last Tuesday. He thinks he will not be freeman on a fishing-steamers again this season.

We hear there are several persons who would like to carry the mail from Norway to North Norway, and petitions and remonstrances have been circulated.

## WEST FRYEBURG.

Mrs. Frank Eastman is sick with the grip.

Frank Mansfield runs a fish and oyster train in this section.

Joshua Shirley of the East Conway street is said to be seriously ill.

Louise and Ida Ballard spent a few days of last week with their cousins in Fryeburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walker visited at Mrs. Hannah Charles', a couple of days, the first of the week.

Many are suffering from severe colds in this neighborhood. Mrs. Charles and Mrs. Mansfield still continue rather feeble. Willard Mansfield is gaining in health.

Whatever the outcome of the investigation pending at Augusta into the methods of the Board of Agriculture, there isn't a man in West Fryeburg who doubts the integrity of its secretary, B. W. McKean.

The Stirling Literary Club met with Mrs. Elmer Walker on Tuesday the 19th. There was a good attendance and all enjoyed the excellent dinner provided by the young hostess. A very interesting program was admirably rendered in the afternoon.

Mrs. Clarence Wiley and the young daughter of Henry Roberts were thrown from the sleigh in which they were riding in this section, Sunday afternoon. The upsetting of the sleigh frightened the horse, which ran nearly a mile when stopped by Hon. Dean A. Ballard, who drove back, picked up the robes and restored the turn-out very little the worse for the accident. The ladies were unhurt.

## NORTH FRYEBURG.

Irving Bennett is at home.

Mrs. William Hill has returned.

Mrs. Amelia Andrews has the grip.







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 Norway... F. P. Stone's and Noyes Drug Store  
 Paris... A. J. Sturtevant's & S. T. White's  
 Bethel... G. R. Wiley's  
 Fryeburg... S. T. White's  
 Orders for single copies at 4 cents each sent direct to the office of publication will be promptly filled. Advertisers, Norway, Me.

#### NORWAY AND VICINITY

Otho Bone of Portland spent Sunday in town.

E. E. Andrews has gone West, buying horses, and is expected to return, the last of next week.

There is to be a school entertainment at the Pierce schoolhouse, district No. 14, Saturday evening, March 2.

Chas. L. Hathaway and wife attended the banquet of the Sons of the American Revolution, at Riverton Park, Washington's birthday.

Samuel J. Frost, who has been insane, several years, has not been so well, this winter, and was again taken to the asylum, last week.

Masters Robley H. Morrison and Freeland J. Morrison of Bangor Falls are visiting their grandparents, Freeland Howe, esq., and wife.

Sadie Haselton, who has been chambermaid at the Beals hotel for several months, was called to her home in Bethel by the sickness of her mother, an aged lady.

Mrs. O. B. Warren of Rochester, N. H., came to visit her father, E. H. Brown, Saturday. Mr. Brown has been sick and confined to the house for several weeks, and was not so well, the last of the week.

Taxidermist Nash mounted a yearling bear for George L. Merrill & Co. of Dixfield. The fur is long and black and smooth. He had the bear on exhibition in H. B. Foster's window, a few days. It goes to the sportsmen's show in New York.

J. Waldo Nash took his trout mezzos, a score of beautifully mounted fish-skins to the sportsmen's show, at New York. The fish are of various sizes, from heads, weasels, birds, etc. Col. A. Melie Dunham also made a display of his famous snowshoes.

Norway Grange had an all-day meeting, Saturday, and entertained visitors from Bolster's Mills and Oldfield Grange. Seventy-five or more guests were present. The forenoon was devoted to initiations and other business, and the ladies prepared an excellent dinner in the dining-hall (we know whereof we speak). There was an abundance of finely cooked food and every one was filled, though there were so many that the tables had to be set twice to do it. In the afternoon were literary exercises, consisting of singing, recitations, a laughable farce and a short patriotic exercise.

#### Letter to A. P. Bassett.

Norway, Me.

Dear Sir—A good many people will see your house in the course of the next years. We want it to show what Devoe lead and zinc will do. We should like you to paint it, and then not paint it again for ten years—unless it needs repainting.

We'd like just such a sample as that in every town in the county—with a notice about it in the town paper. "Mr. Bassett's house was painted ten years ago with Devoe lead and zinc, and has never been repainted. The color is not as bright as it was; but the paint is as perfect a coat as ever, to keep out water."

A good lead and oil job is expected to last three years; it is a good one that lasts three years; it generally does not. Devoe lead and zinc lasts twice as long, if not more.

"If you have any fault to find with this paint, either now in putting it on, or hereafter in the wear, tell your dealer about it."

"We authorize him to do what is right at our expense."

We want your house as a sample, and you as a witness.

Yours truly,  
 F. W. Devoze & Co.

F. P. Stone sells our paint in your section.

John C. Swasey.

John C. Swasey, esq., who died at Rumford Falls, Feb. 18, was the only son of Hon. and Mrs. John P. Swasey of Canton. He was thirty-five years old. After a graduation at Hebron Academy he studied law with his father and was admitted to the Oxford bar. He had been supervisor of schools in Canton, and assistant clerk of the Maine House of Representatives. He was also connected with the Oxford Land Co. for several years.

He had lived at Rumford Falls since its development began.

He left a wife, two children, his parents and four sisters.

The funeral was held at Canton, Feb. 21, Revs. J. H. Little and M. B. Townsend officiating.

Fraternally he was a member of the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Sons of Veterans.

Personals.

Mrs. E. P. Green has recovered from an attack of the grip at Canaan, N. Y., by the use of Dr. Miles' Nerve and Pills.

Among the victims of the grip epidemic now so prevalent, F. Coyne is now recovering at Canton, O., by the use of Dr. Miles' Nerve and Pills.

W. E. Nihells of St. Louis, Mo., who was down with grip, is reported much improved. He used Dr. Miles' Nerve and Pills.

The friends of Mrs. L. Denison will be pleased to learn of her recovery from grip, at her home in Bay City, Mich., through the use of Dr. Miles' Nerve and Pills.

Everybody says that J. W. Udy is looking splendid since his recovery from the grip at his home in Des Moines, Iowa. They all know that Dr. Miles' Nerve was what cured him.

Prosecuting Attorney, Charles L. DeWaele, who has passed the three-score mile stone, had a time with the grip; but when seen at his home in Bangor, Me., the other day, he said Dr. Miles' Nerve was what cured him.

At nearly three score and ten Mrs. Helen Humphrey was fighting against odds when the grip attacked her; but she took Dr. Miles' Nerve, and now her neighbors in Wareham, Mass., remark on how well she is looking.

After an illness of five weeks from the grip, Mrs. Harriet Jackson is again about and looking fine. She began taking Dr. Miles' Nerve after the fourth week. Her home is in Bowling Green, Mo.

#### Oxford Supreme Court.

February Term, 1901.

The last term of Oxford Supreme Court to be held in February came to an end on last Saturday. The doings of Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22, have not been previously reported in our columns.

Arthur Richardson of Denmark, appellant, was sent to jail for sixty days. The case is search and seizure of intoxicating liquors.

White, the East Hebron burglar, was sent to State prison for two years. His pals, Howard and Murray, each goes there for eighteen months. These three sinners had a fight at night in the jail, and they appeared in court with blackened eyes and swollen faces. It is understood that the sheriff of Oxford county quelled the disturbance by heroic measures.

County attorney Park announced in court that there had been a sudden and extensive emigration from Rumford Falls of parties indicted.

Lot E. Whitman of Woodstock paid costs of prosecution for sale of intoxicating liquor. Sentence was suspended during good behavior.

Patrick Meehan of Rumford Falls pleaded guilty to three liquor indictments. He was fined one hundred dollars on one case, and the others continued.

Thomas Fred Sloan of Rumford pleaded guilty on six liquor indictments. He settled at two hundred dollars and costs on two, and the others are continued.

Isaac Moody of Woodstock couldn't pay a fine for liquor sellage, and took a sentence of sixty days.

Walter Hanson, liquor seller, of Rumford retracted his plea of not guilty and paid \$125 fine.

Francis W. Noble of Mexico paid \$25 fine for assault and battery.

Fred Russell, another Rumford dispenser of fire water, paid \$175 in fines and costs.

Alden Z. Cates, the Rumford Falls druggist, stood trial on his liquor indictment, was convicted and fined \$215.62.

Two divorce cases were contested. The Mayhew one from Buckfield, on the question of alimony. The Merrill case from Norway drew a crowded house.

That case had previously become famous. It is the one where Merrill's suit for a divorce was contested by the town, because the divorced woman becomes a town charge. The divorces not previously reported are:

Celinda L. Mayhew from Augustus Mayhew, for desertion. \$500 alimony to be paid to Russell F. Merrill from Gertrude G. Merrill, for adultery. Custody of minor child to be awarded to father.

Frank L. Newell from Mary D. Newell, for desertion.

Lillian L. Bishop from Stillman W. Bishop, for gross and confirmed habits of intoxication.

Lillian L. Bishop from Henry W. Bennett, for desertion.

Hilda L. Clifford from Charles A. Clifford, for cruel and abusive treatment. Custody of minor children given to the mother.

Nellie M. Cross from Talleyrand Cross, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Susie F. Morse from Charles E. Morse, for gross and confirmed habits of intoxication.

Ellen E. Emerson from Warren L. Emerson, for cruel and abusive treatment.

Alura E. Jordan from Joseph H. Jordan, for gross and confirmed habits of intoxication, and cruel and abusive treatment. \$500 alimony to be paid to her.

Three former British citizens swore allegiance to the constitution and government of the United States. They are Robert Martin and Thomas M. Brooks of Oxford, and Lyman B. Brooks of Mexico.

Preliminary naturalization declarations were filed by Abraham Klein of Norway and James H. Miles of Bethel.

Not a single civil case came to trial.

Edward E. Hastings of Fryeburg, James Atwood of Auburn and Almou Young of Hiram were appointed committee on the appealed case from the decision of County Commissioners on that portion of the Swan Island Municipal Court made equal to that of the Norway Municipal Court. Both courts have concurrent jurisdiction in all parts of Oxford county.

Hon. George D. Bisbee has invited the members of the Oxford Bar to take a trip from Mechanic Falls to Bemis and return at some time in May, the day to be set, later. Railroad transportation over the Portland & Rumford Falls and Rumford Falls & Rangeley Lakes roads to be tendered free. The Bar will arrange to take a dining car and a caterer from Portland.

In the matter of the increased jurisdiction of the Rumford Falls Municipal Court, wherein the Rumford Falls attorneys asked that its jurisdiction be increased from one hundred to three hundred dollars, which increase was contested by the attorneys of Norway, Paris and Bethel, the contending attorneys have pronounced their agreement that the civil jurisdiction of both the Rumford Falls and the Norway Municipal Courts be increased from one hundred to two hundred dollars, and the criminal jurisdiction of the Rumford Falls Municipal Court be made equal to that of the Norway Municipal Court.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but brought the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing I have had done and got well."

"I have used one bottle of it and the chills, cold and the grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by Noyes Drug Store, Norway; F. A. Shurtleff & Co., South Paris. 9-13

SCRIBNER'S MILL.

Guy Curtis got his right hand badly hurt.

Mae McKenzie visited her parents, Sunday.

Arny L. Hoyt and Flossie A. McKenzie are on the sick list.

Mr. Rankin of Hiram is visiting his brother-in-law, B. C. Scribner.

The C. V. Literary Club met with Mrs. T. H. Burgess, Wednesday, Feb. 27.

R. E. Martin and G. T. Silver went to Rumford Falls, Saturday, on business.

There is to be a whist party, Wednesday, Feb. 27, also refreshments of coffee and cake.

The box supper at the Grange Hall, Wednesday evening, was a success both socially and financially.

A party of young people from Rumford Center went up the east side of Ellis river to a school league sociable.

A petition has been in circulation signed by over forty for a post-office to be established at Scribner's Mill.

Consumption Kills Millions.

Every month thousands—every year millions—are hurried to untimely graves by insidious, deadly consumption. Don't trifle with your cough or your lung trouble. Cleveland's Lung Healer will cure you. It has a longer record of cures than any other lung remedy. We will give you a free sample bottle. Large bottle, 25 cents. Williamson & Kimball, Norway; E. P. Parlin, South Paris.

#### Children's Corner.

East Waterford, Me., Feb. 10, 1901.

DEAR EDITOR.—I like to read the children's corner very much. I am thirteen years old. I go to school when it keeps. I have six studies, reading, arithmetic, geography, spelling, grammar, history. We have been having the grip here. I have got two kittens, their names are Nip and Piter. I can wash dishes, sweep floors, make beds and cook. My mama is learning me to knit. I wish little Ethel Millett would write again and all of the other little children. I think the little girl who sent her name in figures is Carrie Ella Sawyer. I have a sister Maude who is at work for Mrs. Will Chadbourne. She came home today. My sister Annie is teaching me to make patchwork. I will close with a riddle. Round as an apple, black as a bear, if you can't guess this riddle you haint worth a hair.

From our friend,  
 BERTHA E. STANLEY.

South Waterford, Feb. 10, 1901.

DEAR MR. SANBORN.—I thought I would write a few lines to you about two cows and one horse. Our school is done. I am seven years old. I read in the third reader. I play school at home with my little brother. I have three brothers and no sisters.

My sister Dorris is 2 years old and my baby sister Dorothy is almost 10 months old and we think her very cunning. Papa has a span of horses and their names are Topsey and Jack. We have three cats, Finch, Spot and David.

My sister Dorris and I each had a doll Christmas. I have two sisters and one brother. My brother will be 9 years old in March and his name is Warren. My sister Dorris and I each had a doll Christmas. I have two sisters and one brother. My brother will be 9 years old in March and his name is Warren.

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#### NAPLES.

Madison Clark is at work for George Ayer.

A new mail box appears at Camp Doo-little.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brackett are on the sick list.

Engene Wight is staying at his father's for awhile.

Maggie Rogers spent last week in her home in Naples.

P. P. Larabee's family are afflicted with measles.

A masquerade ball will be held in the town hall on March 2.

Mrs. Nina Jordan of Windham is visiting at Summer Mains.

Mrs. Thomas Welch was the guest of Mrs. Daniel Rogers, recently.

Arthur Proctor had the misfortune to break his leg, one day last week.

Mrs. Annie Wight has been visited by her sister, Cora Sanborn of Sebago.

Mrs. George Shaine accidentally slipped on some stairs, hurting her quite badly.

Mrs. Ralph Mayo is on the sick list. She has been visited by a physician from Portland.

Charlie Goodridge and wife with some friends from Portland are staying at the Lake House.

Weston Dunn and brother Charlie are cutting oak for C. W. Proctor on the L. P. Knight lot.

Daniel Pitts and wife have returned from Windham, where they have been spending a few days.

Andrew Ayer, wife and young son spent the Sabbath with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso York.

Dancing school closed at the village, Saturday night, the 23rd. A masquerade ball will be held, Friday night, Mar. 1.

Stillman Wentworth and Almond Welch with a crew of men are at work at the mouth of Songo river making roads so as to make it more convenient for steamboats to pass. The State has furnished some hundred dollars to pay expenses.

A Warning.

To feel tired after exertion is one thing; to feel tired before exertion is another. Don't say the system is lazy—it isn't; but the signal that the system lacks vitality, is running down, and needs the tonic effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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But sparingly. Your digestive organs are in no condition to take care of large quantities of food.

Drink plenty of pure, cold water. It allays the fever, stimulates the kidneys to action and opens up the pores of the skin. Keep the bowels open with Dr. Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills.

Take three doses of Dr. Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills, one after another, every day, and if you cannot sleep take an extra dose at bed time. To further control the fever, and to overcome the peculiar aches and pains of grip, use Dr. Miles' Pain Pills. They act quickly and effectively, and no bad effects result from their use. These remedies have been thoroughly tested more than a million times, and their efficiency is thoroughly established. They never fail to give relief.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named.

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, 1901, in said county, that there have been presented for the action thereupon herein indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:



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It depresses and weakens its victims—makes it easy for other diseases to attack them.

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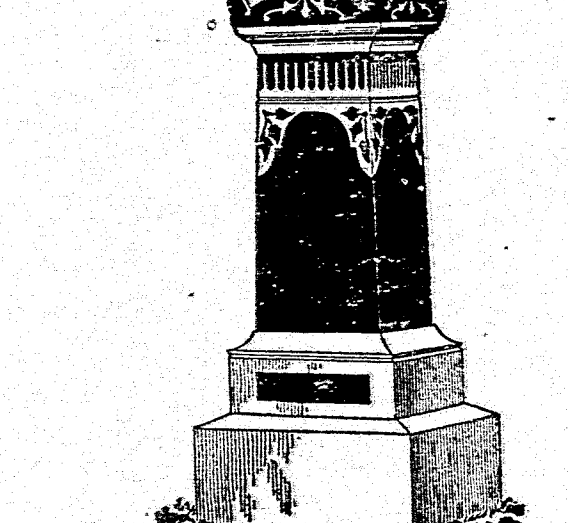


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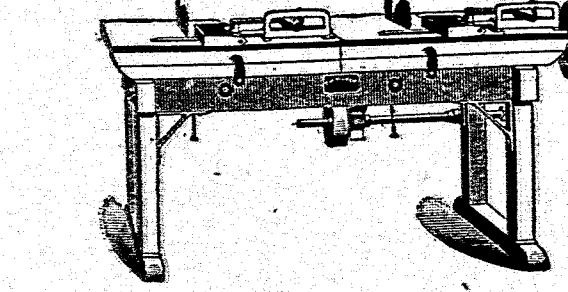
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## A Waterford Man on Black Bass.

[This letter from Mr. Porter needs no explanation. It is written from the Laurels-in-the-Pines at Lakewood, N. J.]

Feb. 11, 1901.  
FRIEND SANBORN:—What under Heaven are our law-makers thinking of to make the close time on black bass June 1st? You know and they must, or they are not very observant, that bass all through June are heavy with spawn. Why protect them till June 1st—till they get their nest good and ready—and then let the hogs on and fly fish them all off? I will bet a cigar or a big apple they can't find a lake in New England where they are through spawning by the 15th of June.

If there is to be any protection why not make it sensible and of some use to the multitude who spend the money for the few? They are already careful to prohibit salmon and trout at fishing in their beds or spawning time. Where does the influence of the railroads, hotels and outside fishing clubs come in? Has Maine got to sacrifice all its rights and privileges for the few? There will be fifty or a hundred bass caught full of spawn in June to one without, and still a law for protection, what a farce!

Like the only law we have had prohibiting their being caught on spawning beds was there ever known to be a fine for it? Why not limit size to two feet instead of one? Would be just as well observed, eight or ten inches would be observed a hundred times as much.

The Maine Central R. R. can't run near all the bass lakes. How many salmon or trout are caught in Tennessee, Wisconsin, Lake Superior and Michigan, and how many people (working people) can spare the time to catch either? They want to catch something when they go, even a bass or a pickerel. I have fished and fished for over forty years in one lakes and ponds and have caught one salmon, have caught thousands of black bass, now where does the sport come in? Why shouldn't we, the people who can't afford to go "to the lakes" for our salmon and trout, have some sport? (I like it) but there are others to come and all may live and want to fish a few years from now, what can we fish for then?

I am aware that my protest or feelings are too late, as I presume the law or force will be passed and non observed, and be called as wise as the law allowing shiners to be caught in any brook, no matter whether that brook had been closed with salmon or trout. Young salmon and trout have been good shiners for bait. Our fish and game laws, as well as liquor laws, are made to drive a horse and cart through and outsiders to laugh at.

Most all the States are in the same boat and now the United States has had to take a hand to save the game, if they can.

While I am opposed to catching bass with spawn in, I must be in the swim or go without fish, and let the hog have all I sit by, sitting on a principle. When one is among hogs he must do as hogs do, or get left, even if it does grind. New York and New Jersey, five hundred miles south and certainly a month earlier, have been closed till June 1st and then there have been many protests in the past.

The limiting the number to ten a day is good and should be pushed, but by whom and how?  
I feel easier now I have had a little say. Hope you are well and busy.  
Yours, etc., E. PORTER.  
Twice Proven.  
From the *Vindicator*, Ruthefordton, N. C.  
The Editor of the *Vindicator* has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing an instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in thigh joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by Noyes Drug Store, Norway; F. A. Saurleiff & Co., South Paris.

Benjamin Palmer of North Lovell is another of our remarkably smart elderly men. He is eighty-two years old and does not look to be sixty. He does the milking and most of the chores and just for a change saws and fits stove wood. He is proud of his sheds full of nicely prepared wood and has reason to be. He is not contented unless he is busy.

## MEXICO.

Mrs. B. W. Elliott has been quite ill with a gripe.

Frank Dickerman has gone to Millinocket to work.

Fred Babb has finished work for Vena Richards and returned home.

Mrs. Etta Richards has finished her school in Roxbury and returned home.

Amos Smith of Biddeford is very low and is not expected by many to ever get out again.

John M. Babb of Dixfield, a very aged, former resident of this town, is in very feeble health.

Mr. Cole has moved from M. Haines' rent into Geo. H. Gleason's house at Mexico Corner.

Rev. Geo. M. Park of Presque Isle visited his brother, Henry W. Park, a few days recently.

James Cain of Riley, who formerly lived in this place, has moved back here into his old home.

A. E. Stearns has sold and bargained thirty house lots out of fifty-six which he laid out of the land purchased on the R. K. Worthley farm.

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## DENMARK.

There is quite a feeling of interest in regard to who shall be our town officers for the next year.

Will Ordway who has stayed in Portland, this winter, came home, Wednesday night last week.

Roy Hale accidentally shot a pistol ball through his left hand, last Friday, while toying with a pistol.

Elwood Pingree and George and Simon Colby finished logging off from Mrs. Francena Wilson's place, last week.

Jacob Merrillfield lost a good cow, last week, by dipping while tied up in the barn. She was about ready to drop a calf.

At the regular meeting of O. E. Star, last week Thursday evening, a new member was added to their number. A luncheon followed at close of meeting.

Mrs. Julia Davis of Portland, Mrs. Sarah Bean of Hiram and Mrs. Russell Jordan of Denmark visited, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, at Fernando Witham's.

Elmer Berry found two of his horses dead, last week Wednesday morning, as he went to the barn to feed his team. He was one of his driving horses. They were all right at nine o'clock the night before and had been dead evidently for hours. Appearances indicate that they had the colic. They had been fed somewhat to ease and some think it set them into the colic.

Loggers have generally left the woods. John Alexander is improving but slowly.

Wm. Heselton has several teams drawing hard wood timber from the farm of Aaron Weis.

C. B. Smith has been having a bad time with teeth and neuralgia, but has been relieved by having six teeth extracted.

Grace A. Smith started, Thursday on a visit to her sisters in Lowell, Boston, Providence, R. I., and Worcester. She expects to be gone several weeks.

A young gentleman and lady from South Bridgton on their way to West Denmark met with an accident, Saturday. They missed their road and in turning round the sleigh was backed into a deep ditch and both shifts were completely broken. They were helped out by the driver, Sumner Smith, who invited the young lady to his home near by while her partner was clearing the wreck and got another sleigh, when they went on their way.

"My stomach was affected by grip and I couldn't eat, nothing but crackers and milk. I began taking Dr. Miles' Nerve and Pain Pills and the trouble disappeared."—Mrs. J. Lindsey, Montrose, Minn.

## JINGLES.

When We'll All Be Good.  
I don't know when the day will come,  
But you and I, we know  
That after while our good resolves  
Will into being grow.  
Some day, when we both have the time,  
We'll cast our faults away,  
And you'll be good, and I'll be good—  
We'll all be good some day.

We'll run our business affairs  
With thought of fellow men,  
For we will let our good intent  
Go into action then.  
We'll make our friends all happier,  
And life will really pay.  
For you'll be good, and I'll be good—  
We'll all be good some day.

Some day—of course, it's way ahead—  
But I know—so do you—  
That some day we will take a turn  
And try the good and true.  
We'll do our best for other folks,  
The world will be more good,  
And you'll be good, and I'll be good  
When we've the time to spare.  
—Josh Wink in Baltimore American.

## No Room For 'Em.

At a room in this country for people who say  
She has seen her bright day!  
The bloom's bending bright 'neath the weight of  
the bee.  
The river is singing in music to sea—  
Oh, the country's as bright as the country is  
free.  
This song to her, then, in the morning!  
—Atlanta Constitution.

## That Summer Girl.

Was there ever so winsome a maiden  
As the whom I met by the sea?  
Her tresses with sun gold were laden,  
Her blue eyes were sparkling with glee.  
Was there ever a summer so blended  
With all that gives rapture to life?  
But, alas, our romance was soon ended,  
For we became husband and wife!  
—Answers.

## A Summer Picture.

The bees are all alive,  
There's a buzz around the hive,  
For the bees are mighty busy makin' honey.  
The maple leaves are blushing,  
And the water lilies drinkin'  
Till they stagger where the river ripples sunny!  
—Atlanta Constitution.

## Way Up.

Ragged Reginald's idea of comfort  
and safety.—Chicago News.

## Getting Serious.

"A guest at a St. Paul hotel who didn't like his plate of beans was made to eat every blessed one of them by a stranger who carried an ugly looking revolver."  
"Seems to me these Boston fellows are carrying their loyalty to home institutions a little too far."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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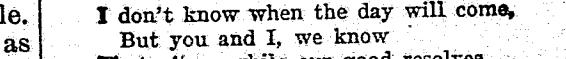
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